

## **Ethos and school aims**



## **Inclusion School Ethos**

Inclusion School is a mixed, independent specialist day school for children and young people with social, emotional and mental health needs (SEMH) aged 11-16. We enable young people who experience high anxiety, school phobia, depression, suicide ideation and other complex needs such as ASC and PDA, to access an enriching curriculum with bespoke learning pathways and qualifications in a safe, calm and nurturing environment.

We know that many of our young people have found mainstream, or larger specialist schools, challenging or overwhelming and this has impacted their educational journey. We have created a school to support these children and young people.

Our vision is of a school in which every learner's individuality is respected, celebrated, and supported to empower them to succeed and achieve based on their strengths and interests.

At the heart of our curriculum is the promotion of positive mental health and emotional wellbeing. Our learners are supported to develop strategies that work for them in order to build their self-esteem and confidence to enable them to overcome their barriers to learning and empower them to succeed.

Our teaching and learning ethos builds on this focus and places learners at its centre and evolves as they change and grow. Our curriculum is designed to develop resilience, a growth mindset and foster their future aspirations beyond school.

Our specialist team builds trusting and truthful relationships with learners individually and personally, ensuring they feel heard, understood and free to be themselves. As a school community we embody and model kindness, inclusivity and respect for each other - a combined approach we feel builds firm foundations for a successful and engaged educational journey.

At Inclusion School we embed a fully holistic approach. We know that trusting partnerships with our learners' families are integral to them succeeding emotionally, socially and, ultimately, academically. Parents and carers are our learners' biggest advocates and supporters and we do everything we can to support families to understand their children's educational needs and their future prospects.

We know our learners and we know how capable they are with the right support in place. We are ambitious on behalf of our learners at all times, until they feel ambitious for themselves. As a school, we are deeply committed to ensuring our learners receive a broad and enriching experience that prepares them for a fulfilling and successful life.

## **School aims**

- Our vision is to provide each learner with a safe place to experience personalised teaching and learning and access enriching and diverse opportunities to learn, succeed and achieve.
- Our vision is to support each learner to experience personal development founded on supporting positive mental health strategies to become confident, independent and successful young people
- Our vision is to promote mutual respect and celebrate diversity to create an environment of co-operation, kindness and positive social interactions with peers and adults